

GLOBAL CONNECTIONS

January 15, 2009

EVENTS

- [Exhibition: Flash of the Spirit: African Music and the Diaspora](#), Dec 9-May 22, Museum of Anthropology, Langdon Hall.
- [Chico Performances: Peking Acrobats](#), Tues Jan 20, 7:30pm, Laxson Auditorium.
- [University Film Series: The Real Charlie Wilson's War](#), Tues Feb 3, 7:30pm, Ayres 106.

CAMPUS INTERNATIONALIZATION

- **Save the Date: Campus Internationalization Forum, Friday February 6.** Please join us from 12:30 to 2:30pm in BMU 210 to help develop a campus internationalization plan. Task groups have been working across campus on areas such as curriculum, faculty/staff development, integrating international students and more. These groups have drafted initial points for a campus internationalization plan and we want to hear your comments, concerns, and suggestions. Your input is crucial to making this plan both achievable and visionary.
- **Pilar Alvarez-Rubio, Foreign Languages**, connected live via Skype with Graciela Huinao, a Mapuche poet, directly from the University Diego Portales in Santiago, Chile. Ms. Huinao, who has been translated to English and several other languages, and who has offered recitals throughout Latin America, the U.S., Europe, and China, read her work and spoke of the Mapuche people and culture. Her readings were done bi-lingually, in Spanish and Mapudungún, the almost extinct language of the Mapuches. Students in Spanish 342 asked questions and engaged in dialogue with her in real time. Students said it was "awesome." A video clip of the event will be available through ChicoSol.com.
- **Diana Parks, School of Graduate, International, and Interdisciplinary Studies**, has been awarded a grant to host a seven week training program in Cultural Interfacing: A Study Tour for 11 University Students from Pakistan. The program is designed to provide the students with a rich American experience while building confidence, stimulating positive aspirations and affording them the opportunity to live the American experience. CSU, Chico will provide avenues for the students to experience firsthand American culture and values as well as increase their practical skills through participation in cultural activities. The students will be in Chico beginning January 18th.

OPPORTUNITIES

- **Teach Abroad in Summer 2010, Fall 2010, or Spring 2011**, Full time CSU, Chico faculty are eligible to apply for teaching positions in University Study Abroad Consortium (USAC) programs at universities in Europe, China, Chile, Costa Rica, Ghana, India, and Mexico. Tenured CSU, Chico faculty members are eligible to apply for USAC semester-long programs during semesters in which they are eligible for sabbatical or pay differential leaves. If you are considering a semester long program, you must consult with Susan Place, Dean of Graduate, International, & Interdisciplinary Studies, before applying. Any full time CSU, Chico faculty member who will be returning on contract may apply to teach in a summer program. Classes may be taught in English or the language of the host country. Course content should be relevant to the study abroad site and country. The deadline to apply for summer and fall 2010 and spring 2011 is February 13, 2009. To request an application and instructions, please contact Mike Nieto, Assistant Study Abroad Advisor, by e-mail: mdnieto@csuchico.edu.
- [European Integration Grants](#), The Jean Monnet Programme is designed to increase knowledge and awareness about European integration by promoting teaching, research and debate on European Union matters at university-level institutions. University-level institutions from non-EU

countries on all continents are highly encouraged to apply. Proposals for funding may be submitted for short courses on European integration, teaching posts with a specialization in European integration studies, support for research, etc. Deadline February 13, 2009

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